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1. Of the Soviet-manufactured tractors in service in East Germany, chiefly at the MTS (agricultural machine and tractor stations), forty percent are allegedly out of commission as the result of a lack of spare parts which cannot be obtained at present. 25X1

2. further trouble is anticipated with the Soviet manufactures. A number of MTS stations have started to "cannibalize" machines, in order to obtain the spare parts necessary to keep a small number of tractors in operation. 25X1

Comment: The total number of inactivated tractors was not ascertained, nor was the total number of Soviet tractors in service in East Germany. 25X1

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